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PERU.

Report from Callao—Plague situation—Reappearance of plague at Antofagasta—Smallpox in Antofagasta and Valparaiso—Smallpox in Chilean ports—Plague at Iquique—Vaccination.

Assistant Surgeon Lloyd reports, July 7, 8, and 11, as follows:

Plague, June 11 to 20, inclusive.

	New cases.	Died.	Recovered.	Remaining.
Lima.....	3	1	1	6
Chiclayo.....	0	0	1	2
Mollendo.....	2	1	8	5
Callao.....	1	1	0	1
Payta.....	2	1	0	1
Total.....	8	4	10	15

Bills of health from Antofagasta state that plague has reappeared in that port and that smallpox is increasing. The epidemic of smallpox in Valparaiso continues.

Smallpox on steamships Loa and Palena—Infectious diseases in Chilean ports.

The steamship *Loa* had 2 cases of smallpox on board on her recent voyage, in Valparaiso. The captain states that they were men shipped in that port a few days before developing the disease. The bill of health mentioned one of these cases and stated that the necessary measures had been taken. Such of the crew as were not vaccinated in Ilo were revaccinated here, the vaccinations performed in Valparaiso being generally unsuccessful.

The Chilean steamship *Palena* arrived at this port to-day en route to Panama with a case of smallpox on board. The patient, a member of the crew shipped in Valparaiso about ten days ago, was removed, such of the personnel as were not revaccinated in Ilo (and who were not immune) were revaccinated here, and the infected parts of the ship, together with infected articles of clothing, bedding, etc., disinfected. The work was done jointly by the Peruvian authorities and the Service representative.

Bills of health from Iquique report cases of "suspected infectious disease" in that port, as usual; from Arica, 1 case of plague; from Antofagasta, 61 cases of smallpox, with 28 deaths; from Valparaiso, smallpox prevalent and some deaths have occurred.

A physician arriving to-day on the *Palena* stated to me that there were probably 1,800 cases of smallpox in Valparaiso at present, and that the number of deaths had reached as many as 50 in one day. Press reports place the number much higher, and state that plague is increasing in Antofagasta.

While these reports may be exaggerated, I have no doubt that conditions in Chile are utterly bad. I would suggest as a possibility that plague may be responsible for some of the deaths in Valparaiso that are accredited to smallpox. Consignments of vaccine from the national

institute in Lima are regularly sent to Valparaiso by the Director de Salubridad. Vaccine prepared here has given very good results in Peru, and vaccination continues to be enforced.

WEST INDIES.

Report from Castries, St. Lucia Island—Inspection and fumigation of vessels—Sanitary conditions.

Passed Assistant Surgeon Fricks reports, July 15, as follows:

Week ended July 15, 1905. July 9, steamship *South Australia*, from Montevideo, bound to New Orleans, with cargo of nitrate and 36 crew; fumigated with sulphur-dioxide gas.

July 10, steamship *Cambrian King*, from Montevideo, bound to Thompson Point, Delaware, with 30 crew and 1 passenger; all well; inspected.

The sanitary condition of this port continues good.

FOREIGN AND INSULAR STATISTICAL REPORTS OF COUNTRIES AND CITIES—UNTABULATED.

ARGENTINA—*Buenos Ayres*.—Month of April, 1905. Estimated population, 990,002. Total number of deaths, 1,146, including diphtheria 5, enteric fever 19, measles 1, scarlet fever 4, smallpox 43, and 184 from tuberculosis.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY—*Brunn*.—Month of May, 1905. Estimated population, 95,342. Total number of deaths, 240, including diphtheria 2, whooping cough 4, and 62 from tuberculosis.

BRAZIL—*Pernambuco*.—Two weeks ended June 15, 1905. Estimated population, 200,000. Total number of deaths, 472, including measles 2, whooping cough 1, smallpox 218, and 45 from tuberculosis.

CANADA—*British Columbia—Victoria*.—Month of June, 1905. Estimated population, 21,000. Total number of deaths, 19, including whooping cough 1, and 2 from phthisis pulmonalis.

DUTCH GUIANA—*Paramaribo*.—Month of June, 1905. Estimated population, 33,003. Total number of deaths, 113. No contagious diseases reported.

FRANCE—*Marseille*.—Month of June, 1905. Estimated population, 491,161. Total number of deaths, 812, including diphtheria 11, enteric fever 21, scarlet fever 1, whooping cough 1, and 92 from tuberculosis.

GERMANY—*Weimar*.—Month of June, 1905. Estimated population, 30,829. Total number of deaths, 47, including 1 from scarlet fever.

GREAT BRITAIN—*England and Wales*.—The deaths registered in 76 great towns in England and Wales during the week ended July 8, 1905, correspond to an annual rate of 11.6 per 1,000 of the aggregate population, which is estimated at 15,609,377.

London.—One thousand and six deaths were registered during the week, including measles 24, scarlet fever 11, diphtheria 6, whooping cough 18, enteric fever 5, and 37 from diarrhea. The deaths